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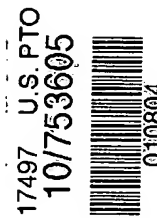
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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application entitled

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1. **Type of Application**

☒ Original (non-provisional)

2. **Required Papers Enclosed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular):**

25 Pages of specification

14 Pages of claims

01 Page of Abstract

12 Sheets of Formal/Informal Drawings (Figures 1-9) *including 1A, 3A, 2A, 2B, 7A*

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3. **Declaration or oath**

☒ Enclosed (COPY)

4. **Preliminary Amendment**

☒ Enclosed

5. **Language**

☐ English

6. **Assignment**

☒ (COPY) An assignment of the invention to: **The Louis Berkman Company**

☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed as well as the "Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet".

7. **Priority**

Priority is hereby claimed to Patent Application No. 10/301,447 filed November 21, 2002, which, is a C-I-P of U.S. Application S.N. 10/207,705, filed July 26, 2002, which claims priority on U.S. Provisional Application S.N. 60/361,889, filed March 5, 2002.

8. **Information Disclosure Statement**

☒ Enclosed

☒ Form 1449 PTO

☐ References

9. **Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)**

CLAIMS AS FILED				
(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	89 - 20 =	69	x \$ 18	= \$1,242.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	2 - 3 =	0	x \$ 86	= \$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (IF APPLICABLE) (37 CFR 1.16(d))		ANY -- 0	\$ 290	= \$ 0.00
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))				\$770.00
TOTAL =				\$2,112.00

10. ☒ A check in the amount of **\$2,112.00** is enclosed.

11. **Authorization to Charge Deposit Account**

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees or credit any overpayment during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.
- ☐ 37 CFR 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)
- ☐ 37 CFR 1.16(b), (c), and (d) (presentation of extra claims)
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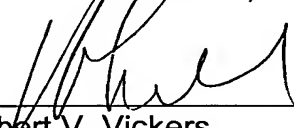
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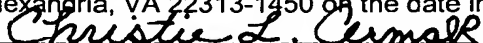
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